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SUBJ: 30TH UNGA--SECOND COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM 58(A):

UNDP NEW DIMENSIONS

REF: (A) USUN 4935

(2) STATE 247287

(3) USUN 5678

1. INDIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION REFERRED TO IN REF 1 HAS NOW
BEEN TABLED IN SECOND COMMITTEE AS L. 1441 DATED NOVEMBER 4.

2. RESOLUTION AS TABLED HAS TWENTY-SIX CO-SPONSORS IN-
CLUDING SIX DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (AUSTRIA, DENMARK, THE
NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY AND SWEDEN).

3. THE RESOLUTION HAS UNDERGONE THE FOLLOWING TWO CHANGES
SINCE FIRST SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT:

(A) A NEW THIRD PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH RECALLING
THE RESOLUTION OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION; AND

(B) OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH ONE NOW SERVING TO INCOR-
PORATE THE ENTIRE TEXT OF THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL'S
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DECISION ON NEW DIMENSIONS AS AN ANNEX TO THE

DRAFT RESOLUTION.

4. COMMENT: USUN SEES NO MAJOR PROBLEM WITH EITHER RECENT REVISION. THEREFORE, UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO THE CONTRARY BY THE DEPARTMENT, USUN INTENDS TO VOTE FOR OR TO GO ALONG WITH A CONSENSUS ADOPTION OF THIS DRAFT RESOLUTION AS IT NOW STANDS IF IT IS TAKEN UP BY THE SECOND COMMITTEE ON NOVEMBER 7.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
BEARING IN MIND ITS RESOLUTIONS 3201(S-VI) AND 3202(S-VI)
OF 1 MAY 1974 ON THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER,
RECALLING THE CONSENSUS OF 1970 1) AS THE COMPREHENSIVE
FRAMEWORK FOR THE ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAMME AS WELL AS THE VOLUNTARY AND UNIVERSAL CHARACTER OF
THE PROGRAMME,
RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3362(S-VII) OF 16 SEPTEMBER 1975, IN
PARTICULAR SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 6 THEREOF,

1. ENDORSES THE DECISION ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING COUNCIL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AT ITS TWENTIETH
SESSION ON NEW DIMENSIONS IN TECHNICAL COOPERATION CONTAINED IN
THE ANNEX TO THE PRESENT RESOLUTION;

2. STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF APPLYING THE GENERAL GUIDELINES
CONTAINED IN THAT DECISION FOR THE FUTURE ORIENTATION OF
THE PROGRAMME;

3. REQUESTS THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO REVIEW PERIODICALLY THE PROGRESS IN THE
APPLICATION OF THESE GUIDELINES;

4. FURTHER REQUESTS THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL TO GIVE
CONTINUING ATTENTION TO THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRESS IN
THE APPLICATION OF THESE GUIDELINES AND TO REPORT THEREON ON A
REGULAR BASIS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

1) ANNEX

DECISION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

AT ITS 487TH MEETING, THE GOVERNING COUNCIL:

(A) REAFFIRMED THE CONSENSUS OF 1970 AS THE COMPREHENSIVE
FRAMEWORK FOR UNDP ACTIVITIES AND ALSO REAFFIRMED THE VOLUNTARY
AND UNIVERSAL CHARACTER OF THE PROGRAMME;

(B) RECALLED THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RESOLUTIONS 3201(S-VI) AND 3202(S-VI) PERTAINING TO THE
DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER;

(C) TOOK NOTE WITH APPRECIATION OF THE DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED BY
THE ADMINISTRATOR, PARTICULARLY DOCUMENT DP/114, CONSTITUTING
THE REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR ON NEW DIMENSIONS IN TECHNICAL
COOPERATION;

(D) REQUESTED THE ADMINISTRATOR:

(I) TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO INTRODUCE MORE FLEXIBILITY IN THE PROGRAMME, TO ENHANCE ITS DYNAMISM AND EFFECTIVENESS AND MAKE THE SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES AND WORKING METHODS OF UNDP MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE CHANGING NEEDS AND PRIORITIES EMERGING FROM NEW ECONOMIC CONDITIONS;

(II) TO BASE THOSE MEASURES ON THE PROPOSALS FAVOURABLE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES CONTAINED IN DOCUMENT DP/114, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE OBSERVATIONS MADE THEREON IN THE GOVERNING COUNCIL DURING ITS TWENTIETH SESSION;

(E) ADOPTED, IN PARTICULAR, THE FOLLOWING GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE FUTURE ORIENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME, AND REQUESTED THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENSURE THAT THE GUIDELINES WERE REFLECTED TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE IN THE EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAMME:

(I) THE BASIC PRUPOSE OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION SHOULD BE THE PROMOTION OF SELF-RELIANCE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, BY BUILDING UP, INTER ALIA, THEIR PRODUCTIVE CAPABILITY AND THEIR INDIGENOUS RESOURCES--BY INCREASING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE MANAGERIAL, TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND RESEARCH CAPABILITIES REQUIRED IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS;

(II) THE SELECTION OF PRIORITY AREAS IN WHICH TO SEEK UNDP ASSISTANCE SHOULD REMAIN THE EXCLUSIVE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE RECEIPIENT COUNTRIES. IN THAT CONTEXT, UNDP SHOULD RESPOND FAVOURABLY TO REQUESTS FOR MEETING THE MOST URGENT AND CRITICAL NEES OF EACH DEVELOPING COUNTRY, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE IMPORTANCE OF REACHING THE POOREST AND MOST VULNERABLE SECTIONS OF THEIR SOCIEITIES AND ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF THEIR LIFE;

(III) TECHNICAL COOPERATION SHOULD BE SEEN IN TERMS OF OUTPUT OR THE RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED, RATHER THAN IN TERMS OF INPUT;

(IV) SO LONG AS PROJECTS ARE FOR THE BASIC PURPOSE OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION, UNDP SHOULD PROVIDE, WHERE APPROPRIATE, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL RESOURCES, ADOPT A MORE LIBERAL POLICY TOWARDS LOCAL COST FINANCING AND BE FLEXIBLE IN REQUIREMENTS FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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COUNTERPART PERSONNEL;

(V) UNDP SHOULD DIVERSIFY THE SOURCES OF ITS SUPPLY FROM COUNTRIES, TO ENABLE IT TO MOBILIZE IN A PROMPT AND EFFICIENT MANNER ALL AVAILABLE HUMAN AND MATERIAL RESOURCES FOR TECHNICAL COOPEATION, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

(VI) UNDP SHOULD GIVE INCREASED SUPPORT TO PROGRAMMES OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND SHOULD PROCURE AS MUCH EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES AS POSSIBLE ON A PREFERENTIAL BASIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNITED NATIONS PRACTICE FROM LOCAL SOURCES, OR FROM OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTEIS;

(VII) GOVERNMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS IN RECIPIENT COUNTRIES SHOULD BE INCREASINGLY ENTRUSTED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXECUTING UNDP-ASSISTED PROJECTS;

(VIII) TECHNICAL COOPERATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED AT ANY OF THE

LEVELS AND STAGES OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS, INCLUDING ASSISTANCE FOR PROJECT PLANNING, PRE-FEASIBILITY, FEASIBILITY, DETAILED ENGINEERING DESIGN, AND, WHERE APPROPRIATE, CONSTRUCTION AND INITIAL OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT;

(IX) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSENSUS, UNDP SHOULD MORE OFTEN ENTER INTO PARTNERSHIP WITH CAPITAL ASSISTANCE SOURCES, IN THE TERMS EXPRESSED IN PARAGRAPH 53 OF DOCUMENT DP/114, WITH A VIEW TO FINANCING THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE COMPONENTS OF PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND CAPITAL FORMATION;

(X) IN THE CONTEXT OF NEW DIMENSIONS OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION, SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED AMONG THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

(F) DECIDED TO UNDERTAKE PERIODIC REVIEWS OF PROGRESS IN THE APPLICATION OF THE ABOVE GUIDELINES, AS PART OF THE CONTINUING AND OVER-ALL EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF THE PROGRAMME;

(G) INVITED THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL TO BRING THIS DECISION, TOGETHER WITH DOCUMENT DP/114 AND THE RESPECTIVE PART OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL'S REPORT ON ITS TWENTIETH SESSION, TO THE ATTENTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS THE CONTRIBUTION OF UNDP TO THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. UNQTE

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